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(57) Abstract: The invention relates to a process for the preparation of an enantiomerically enriched  $\beta^2$ -amino acid comprising the steps of reacting a stereoselective hydrolytic enzyme with a mixture of enantiomers of a  $\beta^2$ -amino acid ester and collecting the resulting enantiomerically enriched  $\beta^2$ -amino acid. The invention also relates to a process for the preparation of an enantiomerically enriched  $\beta^2$ -amino acid ester comprising the steps of reacting a stereoselective hydrolytic enzyme with a mixture of enantiomers of a  $\beta^2$ -amino acid ester and collecting remaining enantiomerically enriched  $\beta^2$ -amino acid ester.

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